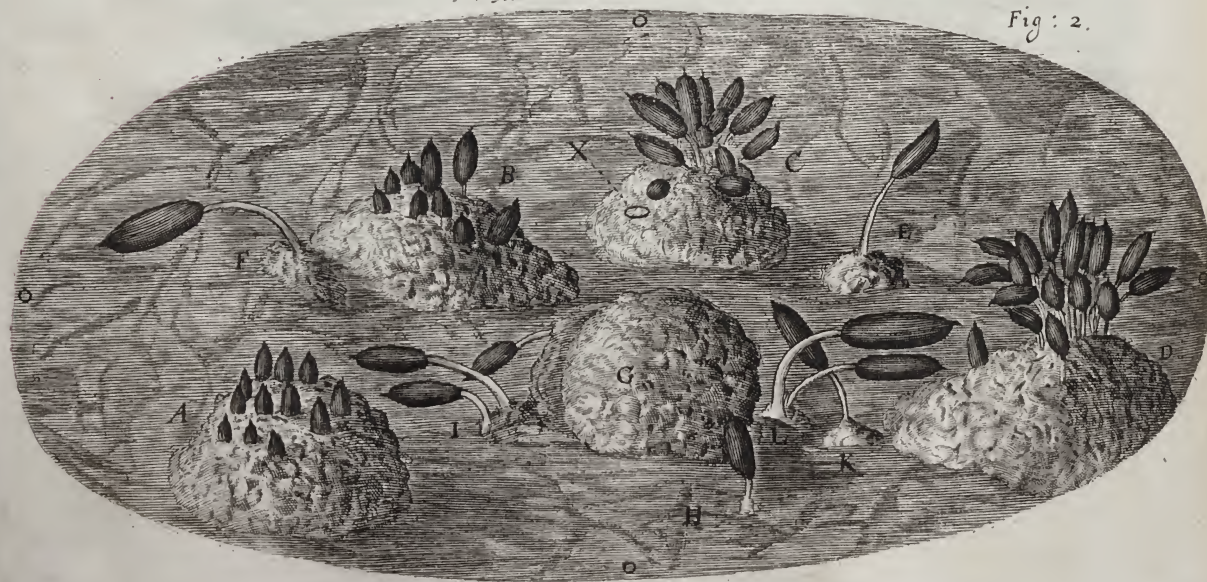


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feminal principle from which this minute Plant on Rose were, before the corruption caus'd by the Mill-dew, of the leaf on which it grew, and did serve as a *coagulation* on and constitution of it, yet might it be so consummate seed which might have a power of propagating the same of the Creator seeming of such an excellency, that thou to help to the perfecting of the more compounded exist Plant or Animal, they may have notwithstanding an ability upon their own internal principle, so as to produce a though of a less compounded nature, and to proceed in the method of other Vegetables, as to bear flowers and seeds, capable of propagating the like. So that the little cases grow on the top of the slender stalks, may, for ought, should suppose them to spring from the perverting of the parent Vegetable, contain a seed, which, being on the leaves of the same Plant, may produce a Plant of much

Nor are Damask-Rose leaves the only leaves of this kind of Vegetable sproutings; for I have observ'd that other kinds of Rose leaves, and on the leaves of several other kinds of Bramble leaves they are oftentimes to be found in clusters; so that I have found in one cluster, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, making a very conspicuous black spot or scab on the leaf.

Observ. XX. Of blue Mould, and of the first vegetation arising from Putrefaction.

THE Blue and White and several kinds of hairy mould are observable upon divers kinds of *putrified* bodies, as on animal substances, or Vegetable, such as the skin, raw or rotten, humours, milk, green Cheese, &c. or rotten sappy Leaves, Barks, Roots, &c. of Plants, are all of them very proper materials in those *putrifying* bodies, are, by the action of the Air, excited to a certain kind of vegetation, which is worthy our more serious speculation and examination by shew. But, first, I must premise a short description of the first kind, which I have added of this Tribe, in the first Figure of this Plate, which is nothing else but the appearance of a small mould, multitudes of which I found to bespeak & which were of a small book, which, it seems, were of Sheeps-skin, apt to gather mould, even in a dry and clean room, &c. These spots appear'd, through a good Microscope, to be a small Vegetative body, which, from almost the same part of